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INSPECTION REPORT

Partial: XXX Complete: Exploration:

Inspection Date & Time: 11/14/2001 / 9:30 - 11:00

Date of Last Inspection: 10/23/2001

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by
[Signature]*

Mine Name: West Ridge Mine County: Carbon Permit Number: C/007/041

Permittee and/or Operator's Name: West Ridge Resources, Inc.

Business Address: P.O. Box 902, Price, Utah 84501

Type of Mining Activity: Underground XXX Surface Prep. Plant Other

Company Official(s): Gary Gray

State Official(s): Karl R. Houskeeper Federal Official(s): None

Weather Conditions: Partly Cloudy, Temp 30-40's

Existing Acreage: Permitted 2660.27 Disturbed 26.5 Regraded Seeded

Status: Active XXX

REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS & PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

- Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
 - For complete inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check N/A.
 - For partial inspections check only the elements evaluated.
- Document any noncompliance situation by referencing the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments.

	EVALUATED	N/A	COMMENTS	NOV/ENF
1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. SIGNS AND MARKERS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. TOPSOIL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE:				
a. DIVERSIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. WATER MONITORING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. EXPLOSIVES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL/FILLS/BENCHES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. NONCOAL WASTE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. BACKFILLING AND GRADING	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. REVEGETATION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. SUBSIDENCE CONTROL	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. CESSATION OF OPERATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16. ROADS:				
a. CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/SURFACING	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. DRAINAGE CONTROLS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18. SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. AVS CHECK (4 th Quarter- April, May, June)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20. AIR QUALITY PERMIT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
21. BONDING & INSURANCE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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(COMMENTS ARE NUMBERED TO CORRESPOND WITH TOPICS LISTED ABOVE)

2. SIGNS AND MARKERS

The mine permit ID signs were observed at the pumphouse and the entrance to the mine site. The ID signs contained all the required information.

Additional disturbed area markers have been installed to supplement the markers already in place.

4A. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: DIVERSIONS

Spot checked several diversions during the inspection. The diversions appeared to be functioning properly according to the approved designs in the approved MRP.

Coal fines were observed in the undisturbed drainage below the main office. The coal fines are still within the disturbed area. During this inspection, the operator and I felt the fines in the drainage were not airborne from the road as was discussed on the field visit on 11/08/2001. It was evident that the fines were transported to this location via a storm event. We reviewed the drainage maps and then walked to some of the undisturbed bypass inlets. Observations indicate that the probable source was at the undisturbed inlet of UC-JJ. This inlet is adjacent to the coal stockpile. No coal was pushed into this inlet but there was a small amount of coal fines around this area. These coal fines were probably blown there from the coal stockpile area. The operator indicated that he would remove the coal fines from both areas and monitor both of them in the future to determine if this truly is the source.

4B. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS

The mine sediment pond has two cells. The upper cell contained water and the lower cell was dry. The lower cell is where the discharge pipe is installed. The upper cell is designed to overflow into the lower cell. No discharge has taken place.

During a field visit on 11/08/2001, it was identified that there was no 60% sediment level marker in either cell of the sediment pond. A review of the MRP indicates a commitment to install these markers. The markers and their placement was discussed during the inspection. The operator committed to install the 60% sediment markers into both cells of the sediment pond.

4D. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: WATER MONITORING

A review of the EDI water monitoring system was done prior to the inspection. The third quarter water monitoring information has been submitted into the pipeline and is awaiting approval.

Fourth quarter water monitoring is in the process of being completed. During the inspection, William W. Fuller of JBR was on site. Well DH86-2 was being pumped down prior to taking a sample.

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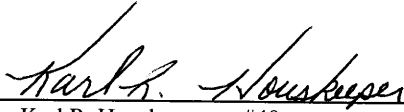
8. NONCOAL WASTE

Viewed the entire mine site for noncoal waste. All areas appeared to be free of noncoal waste. The noncoal waste bin had some material in it, but was controlled according to the approved MRP.

13. REVEGETATION

Viewed the areas proposed for interim revegetation and supplemental revegetation of areas that need additional attention. Several areas were identified during the field visit on 11/08/2001. The operator has contacted several seed companies and is in the process of scheduling a hydro mulcher to seed the identified areas this fall.

Inspector's Signature: _____


Karl R. Houskeeper #49

Date: November 15, 2001

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas & Mining.

cc: James Fulton, OSM
Gary Gray, West Ridge
Price Field office

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